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## Select Poetry.

### A VISIT FROM ST. NICHOLAS.

BY CLEMENT C. MOORE.

'Twas the night before Christmas when all through the house
Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse:
The stockings were hung by the chimney with care,
In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there:
The children were nestled all snug in their beds,
While visions of sugar-plums danced in their heads;
And mamma in her kerchief, and I in my cap,
Had just settled our brains for a long winter's nap—
When out on the lawn there rose such a clatter,
I sprang from my bed to see what was the matter:
Away to the window I flew like a flash,
Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.
The moon, on the breast of the new-fallen snow,
Gave a lustre of mid-day to objects below;
When, what to my wondering eyes should appear,
But a miniature sleigh, and eight tiny reindeer,
With a little old driver, so lively and quick,
I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick.
More rapid than eagles his coursers they came,
And he whistled, and shouted, and called them by name;
"Now, Dasher! now, Dancer! now, Prancer and Vixen!
On! Comet, on! Cupid, on! Dunder and Blitzen—
To the top of the porch, to the top of the wall,
Now, dash away, dash away, dash away all!"
As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly,
When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky,
So, up to the house-top the coursers they flew,
With a sleigh full of toys—and St. Nicholas too.
And then in a twinkling I heard on the roof,
The prancing and pawing of each little hoof.
As I drew in my head and was turning around,
Down the chimney St. Nicholas came with a bound.
He was dressed all in fur from his head to his foot,
And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot;
A bundle of toys he had flung on his back,
And he looked like a pedlar just opening his pack:
His eyes how they twinkled! his dimples how merry!
His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry:
His droll little mouth were drawn up like a bow,
And the beard on his chin was as white as the snow;
The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth,
And the smoke, it encircled his head like a wreath.
He had a broad face, and a little round belly,
That shook when he laughed, like a bowl full of jelly.
He was chubby and plump—a right jolly old elf;
And I laughed when I saw him in spite of myself.
A wink of his eye, and a twist of his head,
Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread.
He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work,
And filled all the stockings; then turned with a jerk,
And laying his finger aside of his nose,
And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose.
He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle,
And away they all flew, like the down of a thistle:
But I heard him exclaim, ere he drove out of sight,
"MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL, AND TO ALL A GOOD NIGHT!"

## Popular Miscellany.

### CONCERNING CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL.

BY REV. EDWIN P. PARKER.

It is evident that the Christmas Festival is rapidly establishing itself in the respect and honor of all Christian denominations throughout the country. Even the children of the Puritans in New England are coming to its observance, so that we may reasonably hope that at no distant day all Christian churches will be united in celebrating the birth of Him in whom they have life and unity.

While it is certain that the exact date of our Lord's birth cannot be determined, it is also certain that the event of his birth was celebrated on some day from a very early period. There are traces of it in the second and third centuries. Chrysostom says: "This day was of great antiquity and of long-continuance, being famous and renowned in the Church from the beginning, far and wide." The Western churches, from the first, seem to have observed the 25th of December; and late in the fourth century the festival was fixed to that date by the Bishop of Rome, since which time, the Eastern churches consenting, Christmas has been almost universally celebrated on that day.

In the earlier ages of the Church this festival was a strictly religious one. The Lord's Day was not more sacred. "We give this festival the preference," says Chrysostom, "because the thing that was done on this day was more tremendous than all others. For that Christ should die when he was a man was a thing of natural consequence; but that when he was God he should be willing to be made man, and condescend to humble himself beyond all imagination and conception—this is indeed wonderful and astonishing in the highest degree. For this reason, chiefly, I love and embrace this day."

Gregory Nazianzen exhorted his flock against a worldly manner of celebrating the Nativity; against decorations, dances, music, loaded tables, and niceties of cookery. All such things, he said, belonged to heathenish pomp and Pagan festivals. How then came Christmas to be the merry and jolly day of manifold good-cheer and infinite hilarity that it has been for ages, and still in great measure is, the world over? It is a significant fact that many of the most popular festive observances of Christmas, especially in the Old World, are of heathen origin. With a remarkable uniformity, many widely-separated nations celebrated their most joyous festivals at the winter-solstice season. The Roman Saturnalia occurred at this season, and the festival of Saturn was characterized by endless license and merry-making. Slaves enjoyed a temporary freedom. Business and work were suspended. Houses were decked with evergreen. Games, amusements, and feasting abounded. Similar festivals, with similar rejoicings, were observed at the same season among the ancient Britons, the Saxons, the Scandinavians, and the Germans. For a long while the officers of the Church strove hard to restrain the Christians from the wild amusements of their Pagan countrymen. The sports and games and revelries of the Christmas season were rigidly but ineffectually proscribed, till finally the Church began to take possession of and adapt to its own uses many of the Pagan ceremonies. In Britain the Christmas festivities were largely modified by old Druidic rites and superstitions, and afterward by the customs of the Saxons and Danes. Inevitably the original Christmas celebration, in whatever clime it was observed, fell under the influence of the great Pagan festivals of that same season, and the English Christmas festival became a medley of both Christain and Pagan rites. Solemn services of worship represented the holy day as originally, instituted and observed; while the festivities of the time represented those Pagan elements, from both the South and the North of Europe, by the introduction of which the sacred day became the freest and rudest sort of holiday.

The excesses which marked the Christmas of the Middle Ages, and of somewhat later ages also, have disappeared; and our present festival is none the worse for what Paganism did for it so many centuries ago. Long before Julius Cæsar had set foot in Britain, or St. Augustine had preached the Gospel to the Kentish men, the Druids held their annual festival in honor of the Sun-God. The people, led by the priests, went forth to gather the sacred mistletoe. It was then distributed among the people, who affixed boughs of it to the entrances of their dwellings, as a propitiation of the deities during the winter frosts and snows. The uses of this same bush at Christmas-tide in England are well known. The burning of the Yule-log is a ceremony derived from the old Scandinavians, who were wont at their festivals to kindle huge bonfires in honor of Thor or Odin. The fetching in of the Yule-log, and the vast fire thereon in the capacious old fire-place, were great events in early English days. The brand was carefully preserved, with which to light the next Christmas fire; and it was believed that this brand had a magic power to protect the dwelling when in it was preserved from fire. At midnight, on Christmas Eve, the cattle of all Christian people were believed to fall on their knees in adoration, even as the oxen did in the manger of Bethlehem. Bees sung at that hour in their hives; bread baked on that eve never moulded; the powers of evil utterly lost their arts and force at this holy season, and men were free from all malign influences.

Marcellus (in Hamlet) says:

"Some say that ever 'gainst that season comes
Wherein our Saviour's birth is celebrated
The bird of dawning singeth all night long!
And then, they say, no spirit can walk abroad.
The nights are wholesome; there no planets strike,
No fairy takes, nor witch hath power to charm:
So hallowed and so gracious is the time."

In the ancient manner of keeping Christmas there was much that might stir the ire of zealous Puritans, to whom

"Plum-broth was Popish, and mince-pies—
Oh! that was like idolatry."

They "eternally abominated" the Bacchanalian Christmasses, which they declared were only the "rape or issue" of the Saturnalia. They had no patience with lords of mi-rule, dancing, masquerades, mummeries, deep potations, and mighty feastings. But Walter Scott, in his poem "Marmion," shows us a brighter side of the picture:

"England was merry England when
Old Christmas brought his sports again.
A Christmas gambol oft would cheer
The poor man's heart through all the year."

One of the most charming of all Christmas customs was the singing of Christmas carols. Long may it continue! Of old, the bishops and the clergy were want to sing them. Jeremy Taylor so neghere thus refers to the *"Gloria in Excelsis"*: "As soon as these blessed [angel] choristers had sung their Christmas carol, and taught the church a hymn to put into her offices forever in the anniversary of this festivity, the angels returned into Heaven."

At one time it was customary in England, on Christmas Day, especially at the afternoon service, to sing carols in the churches, instead of the usual psalms and hymns; and at the close of service the clerk in a loud voice wished all the congregation "Merry Christmas" and a "Happy New Year."

Many of these carols are exceeding sweet and beautiful, and when sung by the fresh voices of children come to the heart like echoes from the angels' song. Besides writing the most stately of all odes on the Nativity, John Milton, the Puritan poet, thus alludes, in the 12th Book of "Paradise Lost," to the first Christmas carol:

"His place of birth a solemn angel tells
To simple shepherds keeping watch by night;
They gladly thither haste, and by a quire
Of squadroned angels heard his carol sung."

In Germany, Christmas Eve is the children's festival. Then the Christmas-tree, laden with gifts and glittering with lighted tapers, is unveiled. It is, as one little child has expressed it, *"Jesus' birthday party!"* And in our own country the eve of Christmas is very generally devoted to the children, and on Christmas morning their stockings bulge and overflow with the tokens of good old Santa Claus' mysterious visitations.

In the time of the Commonwealth Parliament threatened to suppress and abolish this festival. But it survived all opposition and legislation. The Yule-log blazed each year in hundreds of halls; the mistletoe bough was hung up; the churches did not lack for holly, bay, or laurel; the boar's head, and peacock-pie, and roast-beef, and plum-pudding, and mince-pie, and mighty ale were generously served; the maskers and mummers and dancers had their way; the game of Snap-Dragon was played; and the carols were sung, in spite of

"High-shag lords of Cromwell's making."

Even into this trans-Atlantic, New-England Paradise of the Puritans, and into the churches they founded here, Christmas Festival has found its way and received a welcome. Prohibited by the Pilgrim Fathers as an idolatrous and Popish affair, it has set at naught their wisdom, and found a home among us—the "old merry Christmas" that has been in the earth so long! For its religious significance we reverently thank the early Church that instituted it; and, if the Pagans gave to it some social and festive and merry-making characteristics, so that the holy day is also a *holiday*, when all people are free, and bound to be as glad and jolly and hilarious as is consistent with mortal life, then let us thank those same Pagans also. Let us be thankful, too, that, notwithstanding the bishops and clergy and councils of the early Church foolishly prohibited all Christians from following the barbarian custom of ornamenting their churches the Christians set aside the commandments, and brought into universal Christian use the good old Pagan habits of temple-decorations.

Let us be thankful that, even while New England's peculiar Thanksgiving Festival is becoming nationalized, she herself is quietly submitting to the innovation of Christmas celebrations. It is the family festival; the domestic holiday! And as for our grand old Puritan fathers, who were so stout in their prejudice against this festival, may we not believe that, if they look down from their happy seats and behold our latter-day ways, they are not angry with us; but do wink with their clearer spiritual eyes at our glad celebration of the birth of the Saviour of the world!

May all the people of our country more and more generally, heartily, and joyously, on each successive anniversary, observe and celebrate this ancient and sacred festival, both in their sanctuaries and at their firesides.

"And all the ills on earth shall ring,
And all the angels in Heaven shall sing,
And all the seals on earth shall sing,
On Christmas Day, on Christmas Day,
On Christmas Day in the morning!"

A former lately died in East Prussia who is said to have attained his hundred and thirtieth year. Down to the time of his death he was in the enjoyment of the best of health. He was six feet one inch in height, and served as body-guard under Frederick the Great. His son, who lives on his father's property, is one hundred and nine years old. He takes long walks every day, can read without spectacles, and is an excellent companion. The nephew of the old man is employed on the East Prussian railway; though he is seventy-two years of age, he is able punctually to perform his duties, which include the laborious night service. He has twenty-one children, sixteen boys and five girls.

THE TALE OF MRS. O'LEARY'S COW.—From evidence taken before the Chicago Fire Commissioners on the 24th ult. it was ascertained that Mrs. O'Leary's cow was the cause of the great fire, although that lady had no more responsibility in the matter than what was afforded by her ownership in the cow. It appears that her friend and co-tenant McLaughlin, the fiddler, had a social time that evening, and wishing to cook a few oysters for the social crowd, and being short of milk, he "went for" Mrs. O'Leary's cow, and while engaged in surreptitiously obtaining the lacteal fluid from the *haste*, she became indignant at the dishonest practices and kicked over the lamp. Hence the great conflagration.

"What do you come here for?" said Miss Nippers. "I came here to borrow matches," he meekly replied. "Matches! That's a likely story. Why don't you make a match? I know what you come for," said the exasperated old virgin, as she backed the bachelor into a corner, "You come to sing and kiss me almost to death! But you shan't without you're the strongest, and the Lord knows you are!"

A little bit of a thing, who had just returned from a party, was asked by her mother how she had enjoyed herself. "O mamma!" she said, "I'm so full of happiness, that I couldn't be so happier without I was bigger."

Somebody wrote to Horace Greeley, says the Lowell Courier, inquiring the best method of preserving farm tools. The philosopher advised the best loaf sugar, pound for pound, and boil one hour.

Young Clem Foote was holding some peaches in a store, recently, when a lady asked if they were Morris Whites. "No, mam," said Clem, with beaming politeness, "they are mine."

The latest extract from "What I know about Farming:"—Catch your butterflies late in August. Select the deep yellow ones if you would get good, sweet, saleable butter.

## Select Poetry.

### A SONG FOR THE NEW YEAR'S EVE

BY WILLIAM C. BRYANT.

Stay yet, my friends, a moment stay—
Stay till the good old year,
So long companion of our way,
Shakes hands and leaves us here.
Oh stay, oh stay,
One little hour, and then away.

The year, whose hopes were high and strong,
Has now no hopes to wake;
Yet one hour more of jest and song
For his familiar sake.
Oh stay, oh stay,
One mirthful hour, and then away.

The kindly year, his liberal hands
Have lavished all his store;
And we shall turn from where he stands,
Because he gives no more?
Oh stay, oh stay,
One grateful hour, and then away.

Days brightly came and calmly went,
While yet he was our guest;
How cheerfully the week was spent!
How sweet the seventh day's rest!
Oh stay, oh stay,
One good hour more, and then away.

Dear friends with us, some who sleep
Beneath the coffin lid;
What pleasant memories we keep
Of all they said and did!
Oh stay, oh stay,
One tender hour, and then away.

Even while we sing he smiles his last
And leaves our sphere behind—
The good old year is with the past;
Oh be the new as kind!
Oh stay, oh stay,
One parting strain, and then away.

### AN EXHAUSTED HUSBAND.

*My Dear Aunt:*—Although you told me when I invited you to my wedding that I was too young to marry, and not capable of choosing a mate for life properly; and, with due consideration, I know that you may now feel that I was wiser than you thought. In selecting dear Orlando, I have gained a most affectionate and attentive husband, and one who has neither a fault nor a vice. Heavens! What may a girl suffer who finds herself united to a dissipated person, neglectful of her, and disposed to seek the society of unworthy persons, who drink, smoke, and do all sorts of dreadful things! Thank Heaven, Orlando is perfection.

To-day is my eighteenth birthday, and we have been married a year. We keep house now, and I can make pretty good pie, only the under crust will be damp. However, I think that must be the oven. Once I put peppermint into the pudding sauce instead of lemon flavoring; but then Orlando was trying to kiss me, right before the girl, who didn't like either of us going into the kitchen at all.

The flowers are coming up beautifully in the back garden. We sowed a great many seed, but hardly expected so many plants. Among the most numerous is one variety with a very large leaf, that scratches one's fingers and don't smell very nice. I wonder what it is? Orlando frightens me by talking about weeds; but seed always come up, don't they?

Dear Orlando! I come back to him again—so excellent, temperate and true. Tell all the girls to marry as soon as they can, if they can find a husband like mine.

I have but one trial—busines takes him so much away from me. A lawyer *must* attend to business you know, and sometimes they carry on the case until two at night. Often and often he has examined witnesses until half-past twelve, and comes home perfectly exhausted. And the nasty things will smoke, so that his dear coat quite smells of it. And as it makes him as ill as it does me, I have too air it, and sprinkle the lining with cologne water before he dares to put it on again.

I had a terrible fright the other night—dreadful. Orlando had told me that business—I think he said it was case of life and death—would detain him late. So I sat up as usual with a book, and did not worry until one o'clock. After that I was a little anxious, I confess, and caught a cold in my head peeping through the up-stairs window blinds; for, dear aunt, it was not until three o'clock that I heard a cab driving up the street and saw it stop at our door; then I thought I should faint, for I was sure that some dreadful accident had happened to Orlando.

I ran down to open the door, and Mr. Smith, a friend of Orlando, who is not, I confess, very much to my taste—such a red-faced, noisy man—was just supporting my dear boy up the steps.

"Oh, what has happened?" cried I.

"Don't be frightened, Mrs. White," said Mr. Smith. "Nothing at all, only White is a little exhausted. Application to business will exhaust a man, and I thought I would bring him home."

"All right, Belle," said Orlando, "Smith tells the truth—I'm exhausted."

And, dearest aunt, he was so much so that he spoke quite thick, and could'nt stand up without tottering. Mr. Smith was kind enough to help him up stairs, and he laid upon the bed so prostrated that I thought he was going to die. Then I remembered the French brandy you gave me in case of sickness. I ran to get it out.

"Have a little brandy and water dear?" I said.

The very thing. Smith is exhausted, too. Give some to Smith," said he.

And so I reproached myself for not having thought of it before Mr. Smith was gone. But I gave a glass to Orlando, and, under Providence, I think I saved his life, for oh! how bad he was!

"Belle," said he, quite faltering in his speech, "the room is going around so fast that I can't catch your eye. And, besides, there's two of you, and I don't know which is which.

I knew these were dreadful symptoms.

"Take a drink, dear," said I, "and I'll try to wake Mary and send her for the doctor."

"No," said he, "I'll be all right in the morning. I'm all right now. Here's your health. You're a brick. I—" And over he fell fast asleep.

Oh, why do men think so much of money making? Is not health better than anything else?

Of course, as he had laid down in his hat, I took that off first. And I managed to divest him of his coat. But when it came to his boots—dearest aunt did you ever take off a gentleman's boots? probably not as you are a single lady—what a task! How do they ever get'em on? I pulled and pulled, and shook and wriggled, and gave it up. But it would not do to leave them on all night; so I went at it again, and at last one came off so suddenly, and over I went on the floor, and into his hat, which I had put there for a minute. I could have cried. And the other came off in the same way, just as hard and just as sudden as the last. Then I put a soft blanket over Orlando, and sat in my sewing-chair all night. Oh, how heavily he breathed. And I had, as you may fancy, the most dreadful fears. He might have killed himself by his over-application to business, for all that I knew. The perfect ones go first, it is said.

Oh, how differently should I have felt had anything happened to my beloved Orlando. He has not had so exhausting a day since, and, I think, sees the folly of over-work, though, if courts will keep open so late, what can poor lawyers do? I think it very inconsiderate of the judge. I wonder if he has a wife—the mean old thing?

### ALL ABOUT SARDINES.

There are few delicacies so well known and so highly esteemed as the sardine. The delicious flavor of the fish when the tin is first opened, and the sweetness of the oil, (always supposing a good brand) print their charms upon the memory. It will be unwelcome news, however, to many to be told that anything good in this way is exceedingly scarce this season. Unfortunately, it was the same last year. Then the destrying demon of war took away the fishermen from the villages, and added to this, the fish were scarce, so that more were contracted for than could be delivered. This year it is worse. Few fish of any size have been caught, (except some very large) least of all those of the finest quality. The consequence is that the French manufactures are again unable to carry out their contracts.

The fishery, says the London *Grocer*, is carried on generally from July to November, all along the west coast of France. Two of the largest stations are at Douarnenez and Concarneau.

Fleets of boats go out some few miles and spread out their nets, by the side of which some cod roe is thrown to attract the fish. The nets are weighted on one end and have corks attached to the other so that they assume a vertical position—two nets being placed close to each other, that the fish trying to escape may be caught in the meshes—Brought to land, they are immediately offered for sale, as, if stale by a few hours, they become seriously deteriorated in value, no first-class manufacturer caring to buy such. They are sold by the thousand. The curer employs large numbers of women, who cut off the heads of the fish, wash and salt them. The fish are then dipped into boiling oil for a few minutes, arranged in various sized boxes, filled up with the finest olive oil, soddered down, and placed in boiling water for some time. Women burnish the tin; the labels are put on, or sometimes enamelled on the tins, which are afterwards placed in wooden cases, generally containing one hundred tins, and then they are ready for export.

It does not always seem to be remembered that the longer the tin is kept unopened the more mellow do the fish become; and, if properly prepared, age improves them as it does good wine. But if they are too salt at first, age does not benefit them—they always remain tough. The sizes of tins are known as half and quarter tins. There are two half tins, one weighing eighteen ounces and the other sixteen ounces gross. The quarter tin usually weighs about seven ounces, but there is a larger quarter tin sometimes imported. Whole tins, and even larger ones still, are used in France, but seldom seen here.

As is well known, the sardine trade is an important branch of industry, very large quantities being consumed in France and the exportation to England and America is truly wonderful.

What bird is that which it is absolutely necessary that we should have at our dinner table, and yet need never be cooked or served up? A swallow.

An Irishman who was asked his place of birth, replied, "I was born in Killman, I live in Killmany, and I'm going to Killmore."

To Remove Grease Spots from Silks and Velvet—Place a red hot iron upon the part; it will take them out directly.

Greeley says that in order to raise hoss balls of the average diameter, and density, subsoiling is absolutely necessary.

The quickest way for a man to forget all common miseries is to wear tight boots.

# The Middletown Transcript.

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SATURDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 23, 1871.


With this number closes volume 4 of the MIDDLETOWN TRANSCRIPT, as there will be no paper issued next Saturday. The employees of this office have had no recreation or holiday this year, not even on the 22nd of February, Easter, 4th of July or Thanksgiving Day, and they now propose to take a whole week, hoping that the readers of the TRANSCRIPT will find no fault and will excuse the paper for one issue. It will appear again on the 6th of January, and will continue to do so regularly each week throughout the year.

At the end of a volume it is customary for publishers to review the past and to make promises for the future, but we shall transgress the rule and let the paper speak for itself. We shall endeavor to make it as readable and acceptable to its patrons as possible.

Our subscription list embraces persons of every shade of opinion, political and religious, and we do not expect to suit everyone in all issues, for that would be almost an impossibility. We flatter ourself, however, that the TRANSCRIPT is generally well received, judging from the fact that we have lost but few subscribers during the past, and those mostly by death, and that new ones have rapidly come in, especially during the present year.

Four years ago, the TRANSCRIPT first saw the light with about three hundred and fifty supporters; to-day, it has an average circulation of eight hundred. But still we have room for more. The larger the circulation of a paper, the better able it will be to advance the interests of the community in which it is published.

Four years ago, Middletown was a very uninviting place, with but few good buildings in it. But how great the change since! Where then stood four little old one-story buildings, now stands the finest and largest public hall on the peninsula, outside of Wilmington. Where then stood an old slaughter-house and a pond, now stands a beautiful banking-house. Lots that were then grown up with weeds and unenclosed, are now ornamented with handsome residences. The Middletown Hotel, to accommodate constantly increasing business, has been greatly enlarged and improved, and is now superior to most country hotels. An Episcopal church and chapel are now being built; a fruit-drying establishment, employing about 60 hands, stores, houses and other buildings have been erected, and Middletown now presents a lively business appearance, while her public buildings, fine residences, streets and side-walks, will compare favorably with many towns with double her population and with more pretensions.

That much of the improvement of the last four years has been due to the establishment of a newspaper here, none will doubt; for by it the town has been known abroad, and by it the business of the place has been increased.

Then should not everyone feel an interest in it, and endeavor to extend its circulation, that its usefulness may be greater? All the city papers can not supply the place of the local paper. It gives the town and county much of their importance in the world, and gives in detail the local news which cannot be gained from any other source. Every issue of the paper is so much local history, and the rise, growth and development of the town and country around can only be measured and recorded by the local newspaper which is constantly gathering its items.

With these remarks we will bid adieu to our readers until the 6th of January, wishing all a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

MUSIC GIVEN AWAY.—The first number of Dexter Smith's Paper has come to our table. It is a large, handsome, illustrated journal, edited and published by the author of "Ring the Bell Softly," "Put Me in My Little Bed," and hundreds of other popular songs. Its contents comprise "Lotta at Home," "Milsson's Crazy Lover," &c. &c. making thirty columns of reading and six pages of sheet music. The illustrations include a splendid portrait of [illegible] Booth, (suitable for framing) portraits of Nilsson and the Grand Duke Alexis. A specimen copy, containing over a dollar's worth of beautiful new vocal and instrumental music will be sent [illegible] to any address! Enclose a two-cent postage stamp to Dexter Smith, 102 Washington st. Boston, Mass. and receive it this fine gift.

President Grant, on Tuesday, sent a special message to the two Houses of Congress, transmitting the report of the Civil Service Commission, with certain rules and regulations suggested by them applicable to the [illegible] which the whole has unanimously concurred.

## THE NEW YEAR.

Before we again greet our Patrons with the weekly issue the TRANSCRIPT, another year will have dawned upon us. Let us, therefore, take this occasion to say a few words in a general way—a sort of retrospective and prospective glance at the Old and the New Year.

Beginning with ourself, we congratulate our Patrons, one and all, on the advent of the New Year—thanking them for past favors, and soliciting a continuance of the same through coming time. Altogether, our prospects for the future are bright—and on *this* fact we congratulate ourself. Time has not dealt unkindly with us during the past; our business has increased; and we have reason to expect a yet larger increase with the course of the New Year. With this consciousness, we tender our Patrons the compliments of the season—and trust that the good understanding now subsisting between us may continue through many coming years. There shall certainly be nothing wanting, on our part, to strengthen and perpetuate this feeling.

And now, with the advent of another year, let us give due heed to the lessons which it teaches. Let us remember, that, as sojourners and wanderers here upon earth, we have been permitted to enter upon another of those spaces of time, seventy of which, we are told by the Psalmist, constitute the utmost stretch of human longevity. Many there are now living on the busy stage of Life who will not see 1872. With humble hope and trust, let us be thankful for the PAST and PRESENT, and stand ready to meet the FUTURE with a heart "ready for any fate"—strong in the belief that an All-Wise and Beneficent Being has not created us in vain, despite the doctrine of the sophist and the skeptic. To our fellow-sojourners in the Vale of Life let us impart whatever of good lies in our power. With all mankind, let us observe the Golden Rule—"To do unto others that which we would they should do unto us." By this means, we could, if we would, make the world's wilderness blossom as the rose. Let each of us try it, at the beginning of the New Year: it is the second precept of that Religion in which we all profess to believe—therefore give it a practical application. Let us look on our neighbor as our brother—a sojourner like ourselves, journeying toward the grave and Eternity. Let us reflect upon the flight of years; the opportunities slighted; the moments wasted; and the means of doing good neglected. With the New Year, let us form higher and nobler resolves; let us take a more comprehensive view of the relations obtaining between man and his Creator—and by this means we shall be better able to appreciate the awful importance and value of the fleeting hours. Time! Who is there that rightly estimates the value of his existence—its teachings, and its few short years? Well might the philosophic Young exclaim—

"Oh Time! than gold more precious—
More a load than lead to fools
And fools reputed wise. * * *
The man is yet unborn
Who duly weighs the value of an hour!
"I've lost a day!" the Prince who nobly cried,
Had been an Emperor* without his crown.
He spoke as though deputed by mankind—
So should all speak—so reason speaks in all."

* The Roman Emperor Titus.

About a year ago, at the close of the last volume, we complimented our patrons upon being prompt payers. The notice was just; but from from cause or other, (perhaps they thought we didn't need any funds) the present year they have been rather slow in settling. It is now about time to renew for the next year, and we hope our subscribers will come up now and settle for this as well as next year. The invitation is also extended to those indebted to us for advertising and job-work.

Delaware's Representatives in both Houses of Congress are battling for the right. Mr. Bayard in the Senate, and Mr. Biggs in the House, have each made speeches this week.

A hot discussion occurred on Monday in the South Carolina House of Representatives upon the report of Bowen's Investigating Committee. After a vain attempt by the Speaker to require a twothird-vote, the report was adopted, and a resolution was directly afterwards offered that "R. K. Scott, Governor of the State of South Carolina, be impeached for high crimes and misdemeanors." This was followed by a similar move impeaching the State Treasurer, Parker. The resolutions laid over under the rules.

The French bark Costa Rica, from Havre bound from Buenos Ayres, was run into on Monday night by an unknown vessel off the Isle of Wight. She sunk soon after she was struck, carrying down with her seventeen of the crew. Without heeding the cries of the drowning men, the unknown vessel hurried off, and made no attempt to render assistance or save a single life.

There is much alarm in Brooklyn in consequence of the continued and persistent spread of small-pox. It appears to prevail with as much virulence among the wealthy portion of the citizens as among the poor. Fears are expressed that it will become as wide spread has it has been in Philadelphia.

Chandler, the National Bank Examiner, was arrested late on Tuesday night at his house in New Jersey, by the United States Deputy Marshal, and taken to New York, [illegible] charged with the charge of receiving a bribe of $50,000 from the Ocean National Bank.

## LOCAL AND STATE AFFAIRS.

THE NEW EPISCOPAL CHURCH.—

"Though hat With ivy crowned; though buttress deep
No rivet chaste display, to tell of age
And long antiquity—yet 'tis as grand
To us as storied pile with wondrous Gothic keep."

It is with much pleasure that we devote a small portion of our space to a notice of the new Episcopal Church in this town. This structure, which is rapidly approaching completion, will be an ornament to the place, as well as a commodious and comfortable house of worship for the Congregation under whose auspices it has been erected.

The church, (the walls of which are built of serpentine stone) is 60 feet long by 40 feet broad, in addition to which is the chancel, 14 feet in length. The interior, as far as completed, is a model of artistic skill and neatness; and the effect of the *toute ensemble*, when everything is finished, cannot but prove a grateful vista to the eye of the beholder. The ceiling is of the colour of sky-blue, and is divided into twelve compartments, after the "Second" Gothic style. The walls are white, and their simple plainness adds a pleasing charm to the gorgeous dyes of the stained windows on either side, whose "mellow, many-coloured light" reminds us of the vista in some grand old cathedral pile, to which the scene mentioned is very similar. The building is being fitted with every appliance necessary for gas and heating by steam; and these appendages being nearly completed, nothing will remain but the laying of the floor and fixing the pews. Indeed, we understand that the edifice will be ready to receive the congregation on the first Sunday of the new year. We must not forget to mention the bell and the chancel. The bell, (which was hoisted into its place on Wednesday last) will be rung for the first time on Christmas morning. It appears to be a fine specimen of bell-metal; and we hope it may long continue to give notice of each returning Sabbath morning. The belfry is 12 by 14 feet. The chancel, which is lighted by three beautifully stained windows, adds much to the general effect—and, viewed from the main entrance, is decidedly handsome.

We may here mention that "The Ladies' Aid Society" of the Church are having erected a neat and commodious Chapel, to be used for Sunday School purposes. This Chapel is being built on the west side of the Church, on a line with the facade, or front entrance. A parsonage will, we understand, soon be erected on the other side of the Church. We hail with delight these signs of increasing prosperity on the part of the Episcopal congregation of Middletown. Mr. John Morrison is contractor for the work.

We congratulate the congregation of the Episcopal Church on the fine place of worship which they will now have; and we also hail the erection of such edifices as the surest sign of the spread of that *practical* Christianity which is so much needed throughout the civilized world. "Show me," said Cobbett, the legislator and philosopher, "the land where exists the greatest number of schools and church-spires, and I will show you the land where religion and morality flourish the most."

In the matter of church-building it is a remarkable fact, that as Maryland and Delaware, nigh two centuries since, were the first of the colonies to set the example of religious toleration—so have they been in nothing behind other States in erecting places of worship. Less than two hundred years ago, this region was, comparatively speaking, a "howling wilderness." The Indian war-whoop, and the sounds of a semi-savage population, alone met the ear. Our brighter civilization, and the religion of the Cross, had not yet pervaded the almost boundless expanse of plain and forest—and

"The sound of the church-going bell
These valleys and rocks never heard;
Never to hear the sound of a knell,
Or smiled when a Sabbath appeared."

But, lo! how changed is the scene! In place of the murderous war-whoop and the wigwam of the red man, we hear the sounds and meet the sights of a progressive civilization. The Sabbath is duly noted among the days; the chimes of the village bells tell of the morning and evening worship—and, on Christmas Day, the bell of the new Episcopal Church will add one more to the number of those now proclaiming to our citizens to "remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy."

Despite the many instances of narrow-minded ness of which we read and also have knowledge, there now and then occurs an example of disinterested generosity and goodness which strengthens our faith in human nature, and bids us hope for the future of the race. One of these bright examples we shall now proceed to relate.

Last Spring, D. L. Dunning, Esq., and some assistants, actuated by a desire for the spiritual welfare of those around them, resolved to inaugurate a sunday school at Armstrong's Corner. In pursuance of this worthy object, Mr. Dunning and his friends, on the 23rd of April last, proceeded to the Corner, and gathered together seven children. This first effort was so blest with success, that on the following Sabbath there were ten children in attendance. The school (which was first held in a room adjoining Mr. Armstrong's store,) has since increased so largely in numbers as to render a larger place absolutely necessary; and Mr. Dunning conceived the idea of building a chapel. He conferred with members of his own church, and others, and the result was the promise of $175 toward the enterprise, also a donation of sufficient ground for the site of the proposed structure. With the means thus placed at his disposal, Mr Dunning began the work, and the chapel was erected. It is now almost completed—(as far as it will be this winter.) It is proposed to put a stove in it during the winter. The chapel has already cost $700, all of which has been paid; and, when entirely finished, it will have cost about $1,200. The pastor of the Presbyterian church, Dr. Patton, and his lady, have generously donated to the school a Mason & Hamlin organ; and donations of bibles and testaments have been received from the Maryland State Bible Society, as also books from parties in Philadelphia and from W. A. Baken, Esq., city missionary of Baltimore. The school has also a small library. The scholars number 55, with an average attendance of 40.

Much praise is due to everyone who has participated in this work of building a Chapel and inaugurating a Sunday, where both were so much needed. To Mr. Dunning, in particular, as the prime mover in the work, the community of Armstrong's Corner are under great obligations. When we recollect the small beginnings from which has sprung this large and flourishing School, we are reminded, in a striking manner, of the comparison made by the Saviour between the expansive power of the Gospel and the prolific nature of a grain of mustard seed. Well would it be were there many more such sowers of the seed as Mr. Dunning and his co-workers!

We must not forget to mention that the School will begin its session at 2 o'clock to-morrow afternoon. The exercises will consist principally of singing. Two trees will be placed in the room, upon which will be hung a number of books, entitled "The Old, Old Story"—one to be given to each scholar at the close of the Exercises. At three o'clock there will be preaching, by Rev. Dr. Patton.

FESTIVAL.—The ladies of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, at Georgetown, Md. will hold a festival, on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday next, opening each afternoon at 3 o'clock, the proceeds to be applied in furnishing the church. All the delicacies of the season will be abundantly supplied. Admission 10 cents; Supper 50 cents.

Court is in Session in Elkton. There are eighty cases marked for trial not including criminal business. The *Democrat* says: "As an evidence of the straightened pecuniary condition of our people, it may be stated that 186 new suits were were brought this term."

A NOVEL SIGHT.—On Saturday morning last a flock, or, as it was commonly called, a drove, of turkeys, numbering 311, belonging to James T. Shallcross, was driven through town.

THE LATEST OF SMALL-POX.—A lady in this town, a few days ago, told her children that they would not get many Christmas gifts this year, because Kris-Kringle had the small-pox.

The Red Lion M. E. Sabbath schools will give exhibitions on Wednesday evening, the 27th inst. and on Monday evening January 1st.

A new Building and Loan Association is to be formed in Chestertown.

Elkton has a case of Small-pox. The unfortunate victim contracted it in Philadelphia.

CHESAPEAKE CITY ITEMS.—*Holidays.*—The windows of our stores reminds us that the Christmas Holidays are approaching, and each little boy's and girl's face is buoyant with hopes that Santa Claus will fill their stockings with "goodies."

*Sadness.*—Sorrowfulness and gloom seem to be depicted on all faces, because they so soon will sing the requiem of 1871.

*Public Schools.*—Miss Martha Biddle has been quite indisposed, but has not abandoned the duties of teaching, and the Bayard School and Academy are flourishing, and have on their register nearly two hundred scholars. The schools are managed by Miss Biddle and four assistants. She is very ambitious and if a school does not work well under her care, we venture to say it is passed redemption.

*Ecclesiastical.*—Rev. J. E. Kidney is holding a series of meetings, and his preaching has been attended with some success. The Presbyterians, fearing a strong wind might come and blow down their sanctuary, erected a back building for their sunday school. It certainly has not added to its appearance; but their object was to do good, not to please the eye.

*Hop.*—There was a grand hop at the Manor House last week. We have not heard the names of the reigning belles.

*Out of Pocket.*—Dr. J. V. Wallace, who bought for the Knights who displayed their valor at St. Augustine one gold watch, thus far, as has been ascertained, has not received one cent. Can some one tell the cause?

*Small-Pox.*—One case of small-pox has made its appearance, but through the skillful management of Dr. J. V. Wallace, the disease did not spread. As soon as it was known abroad, every mother was running to the doctors for "vaccine matter." What a pity that parents must be driven to duty.

*Improvements.*—Over twenty new buildings have been erected in this town, among which are three stores. He who has the spirit of improvement, let him locate at Chesapeake City, for we have no drones in our "hive."

*Matrimonial.*—Several of our young men and women, and widows and widowers, have taken a partner for life; and as the year is nearly to its close, we doubt not that many have been taken by "squalls".

*Carriage Factory.*—Our townsman, Jacob Metz, Esq. intends to engage in the carriage business, which has been so greatly needed in this town. The firm will be Metz & Scott. All who want a new carriage, let them call as soon as their factory is finished, and if they do not please the purchaser, they will continue to re-build until satisfaction is guaranteed.

*Temperance.*—The Good Templars and Cold Water Templars are prospering, and intend holding an exhibition the first week of January.

*Trade.*—Business has not entirely suspended in the Canal. Boats pass and repass on their usual trips.

*Belles.*—Chesapeake can boast of more marriageable ladies than any other town we know of. The ladies should petition the next Legislature for a remedy for young men to stay within our own border to take a wife, and not seek the farmers' daughters.

*Rarity.*—No case in court from Chesapeake; no fight, no assault and battery. Certainly the town has improved under the pastoral care of J. E. Kidney.

*Beat it.*—One widow lady in town asserts that she has paid five town taxes in two years. This will account for the great improvement in our town.

*Rum Mills.*—It is rumored that another rum mill is to be added to our town. We have now four regular licensed grog shops. We need in this town a respectable temperance hotel, for where whiskey is now sold more or less rowdyism is carried on.

*Promiscuous.*—Mr. Alonzo Boulden has sold his livery business to Henry Fowler. All who wish to hire just call on Mr. Fowler, and he will be as courteous as his predecessor. Turkeys are plenty. Butter good price. Instead of muddy roads we will soon have it slashy.

NEWARK LOCALS.—According to promise, Friend Transcript, I send you a few jottings about Newark.

Chistmas, "which comes but once a year," is about to make its annual appearance, bringing delight to the hearts of the little ones. Santa Claus pops his funny little head out of Mr. S. R. Cloat's chimney, exhibiting toys innummerable to his hosts of infantine admirers, and promises well filled stockings "On the night before Christmas." Our merchants have all filled up their shelves, and made due preparation for supplying the necessary turkey and trimmings. Every branch of business wears indications of the holidays and in no place will Christmas be more heartily enjoyed than Newark, for even stern justice has woven a garland of green around her scales, and Squire McKeown sits daily in his office with the mistletoe over the door and the shamrock on his breast.

*New Buildings.*—The handsome cottage of S. C. Finley, Esq. is nearly finished inside as well as out. It is of the Gothic style of architecture and contributes greatly to the appearance of the town. John Miller, Esq. our efficient and accommodating postmaster, has nearly finished his house erected on the foundation of the one burnt last spring, and were it not for the neat trimmings around the cornice and gables one would never know the fire had occurred, but could fancy the old house had sprung up "Phœnix like, from the ashes," and walk in as usual. The Presbyterian Church, the Newark Anaconda, drags its weary length along, but when done will be a credit to the congregation and a splendid place to air our good clothes. Messrs. Dean & Son have rebuilt their dry house recently destroyed by fire, and carefully avoided the mistakes in the construction of the old one.

*Ice Houses.*—Thecold snap has produced an abundant ice harvest, and our people have embraced the opportunity, and now the ice houses are full.

*Farmer's Club.*—The Newark Agricultural Club is again under way for the winter. The officers are D. J. Murphey, Pres., Geo. G. Kerr, Vice Pres. and Wm. Reynolds, Sec. and Treas. The weekly exercises consist of an essay upon a given subject, and a subsequent debate. Next essayist, Jos. Hossinger, Esq. Subject—"What I know about farming."

*Exhibitions.*—The Delta Phi Literary Society of Delaware College, gave an entertainment on Tuesday evening last, in the College Oratory, consisting of declamations by the students of the College (members of the society) and music by the College band. The performances were decidedly creditable to the young gentlemen and such as can be repeated with pleasure to all concerned. The ladies of the Newark Presbyterian Church will give an entertainment of "Tableaux Vivants" in the College Oratory, Friday evening. That it will prove a success is only arguing of the future by the past. One scene witnessed at rehearsal I will give you:—Gulliver on the Island of Lilliput, with Mr. C. Janvier as Gulliver. You shall have a full description in time for your next, of all the scenes, costumes, etc.

*Sutton's Hall.*—Mr. J. B. Sutton has just finished a large and substantial carriage factory with wagon and smith shops attached. In the second story of his factory he has fitted up a commodious public Hall, which was duly opened a few nights since with a Ball, given by the Brotherhood of the Union, which, like all similar entertainments in Newark, was *notatu dignum*. The managers are entitled to the thanks of the participants for a long-to-be-remembered evening.

*Crookers.*—Intermixed with pleasure, comes the raven-throated croaker, whose miserable, complaining, unhappy disposition, looking ever on the dark side, sees nothing of life's pleasures, and is ever groaning "never more." Produce is low, work scarce, taxes high, the wolf at the door, &c., *ad infinitum*. But wishing you, Friend Transcript, the Merriest Christmas and Happiest New Year of your life, I will cease my report for this week.

LARGE HOGS.—Mr. Charles P. Cochran, residing near this town, slaughtered this season eighteen hogs, which will probably exceed in weight an equal number raised by any person in the State. The weights of the hogs are as follows: 344, 336, 300, 388, 354, 378, 352, 430, 369, 344, 414, 356, 371, 469, 306, 340, 428½, 456, aggregating 6,736½ pounds, or an average of a little over 374 pounds each. It will be seen that the smallest weighed 300 pounds and the largest 469 pounds.

Mr. Thomas W. Bucke, killed a hog this season weighing 412 pounds alive and 266 dressed, losing but a little over 11 pounds to the hundred. 20 pounds being the usual weight. On March 1st the pig weighed but 40 pounds, and up to December 12th, the day it was killed, had gained 372 pounds, or 1 3-10 pounds each day.

Our correspondent at Delaware City sends us the following:

Mr. Clement Reeves has sold sixty acres of his farm, fronting on the Delaware River, to the Government, for $18,000.

The Government has planted trees on each side of the new road, leading to the proposed battery. This road, when finished, will afford our citizens a beautiful drive. We understand that work will be commenced on the battery early in the spring. Building lots have advanced in the southern part of our city in consequence of the propose government improvements.

Our physicians have authorized us to say that there are no cases of small-pox in our city.

On Saturday and Sunday last there was over one hundred vessels lying at the wharves, which had put into this port in consequence of the large sheets of ice in the upper part of the river. This is only a foreshadow of what it will be next fall and winter; by that time the railroad will be in operation, and we will have large ships here at all times loading with coal direct from the Pennsylvania mines.

On the 8th inst. Mr. Theodore Jones, living near this town, lost a portable engine by explosion valued at $1,100.

*Prolific.*—Mr. James H. Clark, living near our town, had 90 acres in corn which averaged 75 bushels per acre.

On Tuesday last snow fell to the depth of four inches.

The Presbyterian Church was completed last week. The interior is very handsomely furnished. It will seat three hundred very comfortably. All the seats will be cushioned, which are now being made by the ladies.

*Died.*—In this town, on Monday last, William White, aged 2 years. On the same day, George Christmas (colored.)

*Cold Weather.*—At 2 o'clock, P. M. on Wednesday last, the thermometer stood at 18°; at 3, 12, at 4, 11, at 5, 7.

*Fire.*—On Wednesday night last the lecture room adjoining the Presbyterian Church, took fire from the furnace. It was put out before much damage was done.

*Delaware City and Landenberg R. R.*—The most gratifying progress is being made upon the work along the line of this road. Only about six or eight miles yet remain to be graded, mostly in Pennsylvania, but scattered in small sections all along the line of the road, but one culvert is yet to be constructed, and the major part of the work upon the bridges is completed. Should the weather keep open, trackslaying will commence soon, and the road will be ready for the rolling stock by the time expected—April next.

FIRE IN WILMINGTON.—Shortly before 3 o'clock on Wednesday morning, a fire broke out in a room occupied as a planing mill by Messrs. Dure & Bowers, in Gause's building at Front and Tatnall streets, Wilmington, Del. and which spread rapidly. Isaac Magnire, engineer on locomotive No. 60 P. W. & B. R. R. who was passing at the time with through freight train No. 17, observed the flames and sounded an alarm with his locomotive whistle, awoke the people of the neighborhood from their slumbers, and shortly afterwards the fire bells struck the alarm.

The contents of the building, however, were of a highly inflammable character, and by the time the firemen arrived on the grounds the whole interior was enveloped in flames. It was used as a planing mill, machine shop, pattern shop, carpenter shop &c. and of course presented excellent food for the flames. As the flames spread, the alarm amongst the people of the neighborhood grew intense.

The owners of the adjoining properties devoted their energies to saving them, and were assisted in this by the firemen, who could do little, if anything, for the blazing building. The snow on the roofs and lumber piles tended, also, to prevent the spread of the flames by falling sparks, but for all this it is really surprising that the fire did not spread and become a disastrous conflagration. The intensity of its heat can be judged from its effect on buildings across the street. The doors and window shutters of Samuel Barr & Son's warehouse on the N. W. corner of Front and Tatnall, were charred and burned half way through by the heat, though the wind did not set in that direction.

The fire in the main building raged on till it had consumed all it had to feed on and then died away, though the fire was still smouldering at 10 o'clock this morning.

The total loss by the fire will be in the neighborhood of $18,000, which is very small in comparison with what it would have been had the fire occurred when all the surrounding property was dry. The origin of the fire is unknown.—*Every Evening.*

JUDGE EDWARD G. BRADFORD.—Hon. Edward G. Bradford, appointed by President Grant to be judge of the United States District Court for the district of Delaware, in place of the the venerable Hon. Willard Hall, resigned, was born in Cecil county, Md. July 17, 1819, but his parents removed to Wilmington, Del. when he was three years of age, and he has resided there ever since that time. He was partially educated at Bristol College, Pa. under Rev. Dr. Bedell, but completed his studies and graduated at Delaware College in 1838. Though holding a leading position in the State for many years, he has never filled any important public place, and this appointment is recognized as a due recognition of his merit.

WITHDRAWN.—The Grand Army, a society of Wilmington, purpose holding a fair during the holidays, and had a house, valued at $2500, which they were to dispose of at $1 per chance.

Attorney-General Lore has addressed a note to Frank Nolen, reminding him that the law of the State prohibits the disposal of property, by lottery, under a penalty of $500 to $10,000; and imprisonment for not more than three years. He also expresses regret that such practice has received the sanction of the churches and benevolent societies at their fairs.

*Jubilee.*—The Sabbath School connected with St. Paul's M. E. Church, Odessa, Del. will hold their annual Jubilee, in said Church, on Wednesday next, commencing at 7:30 o'clock. The entertainment will consist of music, declamations, &c. Admission 25 cents—children 15 cents. The proceeds for the benefit of the school.

St. Ann's Church, will (D.V.) be opened for divine worship to-morrow morning, at the usual hour. Also on Monday (Christmas) morning. The Rector is still confined to his bed by severe indisposition, but the Bishop, by Dr. McCabe's request, has granted a license to a Lay Reader for both occasions.

John Richardson of Christiana Hundred raised the present season 84½ bushels of shelled corn to the acre—or 755 bushels from nine acres. The field had not been plowed for eighteen years. He gave it a dressing of barnyard manure, but used no other fertilizer.

The Springer claim to Wilmington is again on the *tapis*. It is stated that in 1770, or thereabouts, one Charles Springer leased some 800 acres of land to the Episcopal church, for 99 years, at or near the city of Wilmington, and the heirs are now claiming it.

The *Breakwater Light* says the small-pox is gradually spreading through Sussex. There are two or three cases in Georgetown, and a Mr. Gray near Gumboro' has it. It is also reported that Authur McKim, of Georgetown, is sick near Seaford with it.

The Newport M. E. Sabbath School will give an exhibition on Thuasday evening, the 28th inst. There will be recitations, singing, addresses, &c. and the citizens who appreciate an intellectual feast should be present on the occasion.

The Episcopal Sabbath School, of this town, will have pleasing exercises on Tuesday afternoon next. They will consist of singing Christmas carols and distribution of gifts to the children, from the Christmas tree.

CONCERT.—Prof. Robinson, of Baltimore, assisted by a number of singers from that city, will give a concert of vocal and instrumental music at the M. E. Church in Chestertown on Thursday evening, 28th inst.

The weather for a few days past has been intensely cold for this latitude. On Thursday morning the thermometer was 3 degrees below zero, and stood at 8 at noon, gradually falling towards sunset.

FISH.—One hundred and eighty-five barrels of Rock fish were shipped from Georgetown on Friday last. Each barrel contained about 210.

James C. Matthews, Odessa, has taken out letters of administration upon the estate of Alexander Averil, late of St. Georges Hundred.

SNOW.—On Tuesday last there was a fall of snow, to the depth of three and a half inches. It has afforded good sleighing, and many of our citizens have embraced the opportunity thus afforded, by enjoying the merry sleigh-ride. As we go to press, a heavy fall of snow is covering the ground. The fleecy mantle of Winter has at last fallen upon the landscape—and hill, and dale, and valley have donned the snowy habiliments of Boreas. Now is the season of chilling winds; of driving snows; of indoor amusements; of jingling sleigh-bells; and of Christmas and New Year concomitants generally. With the snowy confirmation of Winter's reign we have, through the providence of a beneficent Being, much that acts as an alleviation of Winter's disadvantages. We have the long evenings—sacred to quiet enjoyment, to sounds of sighing winds without, and to the long nights of rest. With the amiable Cowper, let us, therefore, look upon the winter season as one of the pleasing vicissitudes of the year. The poet of Olney had not as much in the way of modern improvements to reconcile him to Winter's chilly embrace. In his day, no railroads connected Olney with the great London. The little village post-office was served by "ye stage" and "ye horse post-man"—for Cowper sings of the latter's arrival on a winter evening:

"Hark! 'tis the twanging horn o'er yonder bridge
That, with its wearisome, but needful, length
Bestrides the wintry flood, announces
He comes: the herald of a noisy world."

Such was one of the "advantages" pertaining to the poet's town. We here in Middletown are far in advance of those days. The blasts of winter do not shut us out from intercourse with our neighbors; our letters come to us by the iron horse; and we have much more to make the reign of Winter cheerful and very tolerable—even though

"Stern Winter's icy breath, intensely keen,
Now chills the blood and withers every green."

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.—Mr. John Brown, living near Glasgow, met with a serious accident on Friday afternoon of last week. He was assisting a brother-in-law, John Johnson, to haul in cornfodder, and while driving house a team, from some mischance, the load overturned, throwing him violently upon the rough and frozen ground. Upon examination it was found his left thigh bone was broken. Drs. Tuft and Frazer of Elkton, and Dr. Skinner of Glasgow, were called in and cared for the injured man. He is now doing well.

Although Court at Elkton has been in session two weeks but one case has been disposed of, it taking up all the time. It was "Woodrow vs. Evans," an action on contract. After hearing the evidence, counsel for plaintiff entered a *nolle prosequi*. Court adjourned yesterday, (Friday) until after the holidays.

PIGEON SHOOTING.—There will be a grand Pigeon Shooting, at Townsend, on Thursday next, the 28th inst. commencing at 10 o'clock in the morning. There will be spring and ground boxes and some two hundred pigeons. It will be under the direction of J. C. Townsend.

LARGE SHIPMENTS OF POULTRY.—During three days this week, there have been shipped, per express from Middletown 8,722 pounds of poultry, and by freight nearly a 1,000 pounds. The major part of it has been shipped by J. T. Shallcross and Rich & Cochran.

A concert of sacred music will be given at Frindship M. E. Church, on the Collins Beach road, by the choir, Prof. Quimby, director, on Thursday evening, 28th.

SALE OF A FARM.—Mr Geo. Harbert has sold his farm in Pencader Hundred, containing 330 acres to Mr. Andrew Eliason for $34,000.

Joseph Bishop was attacked on Monday night, on the road near New Castle, and robbed of a watch and a "chet.—*Journal.*

*For the Middletown Transcript.*

MR. EDITOR:—Indulge me a short space in your paper to endeavor to right a controversy between my friend Samuel Townsend, Esq. and some person to the writer unknown.

During the early part of November, a called meeting of the Peninsular Fruit Growers' Association was held in Seaford, and was attended by some fifty or more of the prominent men of this and neighboring counties. On behalf of the Association appeared J. Alexander Fulton, Esq. the Secretary. During the course of his remarks explanatory of the meeting, Mr. Fulton suggested the formation of local associations. This suggestion was favorably entertained, and, upon discussion, was developed and enlarged to taking the initiatory steps towards an independent organization. The reasons for this course are various. Amongst others, the fact that whilst the majority of fruit growers in the Peninsula are below Dover, the running of the trains have heretofore prevented a proper representation of their interests, as it would require a loss of two days to attend any meeting at Dover. At the adjourned meeting held here on the 13th of December, an organization was perfected, and I know of no way better to correct all misunderstanding than to quote the first section of the Constitution then adopted.

"The Association shall be called the Southern Peninsular Fruit Growers' Association in contradistinction to the Peninsular Fruit Growers' Association, and is not organized in any spirit of rivalry or opposition to said Association, but rather as an auxiliary thereto."

Our interests are identical, and, whilst a separate organization is started more for convenience sake than anything else, anything to interfere with mutual relations and concert of action would be regretted by all concerned.

The idea is prominent with us that the two Associations, working together in harmony, would be productive of increased good, in double-teaming the resistance to fraud and the many devices of chicanery by which we are deprived of the just dues of our produce.

You will pardon me, Mr. Editor, this transgression on your columns, but as the Association did me the honor to select me for its Secretary, I have felt it due to the honorable motives of its members, to make the above plain statement of facts, to prevent any misconception of our plans and purposes in the minds of our friends in the upper part of the State, such as newspaper controversies will be likely to engender.

GEO. W. S. NICHOLSON.

*Seaford, Del.*

## THE NEW APPORTIONMENT BILL.

The apportionment bill, as it passed the House, provides that from and after March, 3, 1873, the House of Representatives shall be composed of 283 members, to be apportioned among the States, instead of 243, as at present. The following table will show the present and the proposed apportionment:

| States | Present Representation. | Proposed Apportionment. |
|---|---|---|
| Maine, | 5 | 5 |
| New Hampshire | 3 | 3 |
| Vermont, | 3 | 3 |
| Massachusetts, | 10 | 11 |
| Rhode Island, | 2 | 2 |
| Connecticut, | 4 | 4 |
| New York, | 31 | 33 |
| New Jersey, | 7 | 7 |
| Pennsylvania, | 24 | 26 |
| Delaware, | 1 | 1 |
| Maryland, | 5 | 6 |
| Virginia, | 8 | 9 |
| North Carolina, | 7 | 8 |
| South Carolina, | 4 | 5 |
| Georgia, | 7 | 9 |
| Alabama, | 6 | 7 |
| Mississippi, | 5 | 6 |
| Louisiana, | 5 | 5 |
| Ohio, | 19 | 20 |
| Kentucky, | 9 | 10 |
| Tennessee, | 8 | 9 |
| Indiana, | 11 | 12 |
| Illinois, | 14 | 19 |
| Missouri, | 9 | 13 |
| Arkansas, | 3 | 4 |
| Michigan, | 6 | 9 |
| Florida, | 1 | 1 |
| Texas, | 4 | 6 |
| Iowa, | 6 | 9 |
| Wisconsin, | 6 | 8 |
| California | 3 | 4 |
| Minnesota, | 2 | 3 |
| Oregon, | 1 | 1 |
| Kansas, | 1 | 3 |
| West Virginia, | 3 | 3 |
| Nevada, | 1 | 1 |
| Nebraska, | 1 | 1 |

It is provided that if after such apportionment shall have been made, any new State shall be admitted, such State shall be entitled to a Representative or Representatives additional to the number, 283.

A formal meeting of the Commissioners for the arbitration of the Alabama claims was held in Geneva on Monday. After choosing a President the Commission adjourned until the 15th of June next.


## REPORT

*Of the Condition of the Citizens' National Bank of Middletown, Delaware, at the close of business on the 16th day of December, 1871.*

RESOURCES:

| | |
|---|---|
| Loans and Discounts | $118,529 06 |
| U. S. Bonds to secure Circulation | 80,000 00 |
| Other Stocks, Bonds, and Mortgages | 4,000 00 |
| Due from National Banks | 7,714 31 |
| Due from other Banks and Bankers | 19,081 41 |
| Banking House | 12,186 64 |
| Other Real Estate | 458 22 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | 1,300 44 |
| Current Expenses | 1,225 71 |
| Cash Items, (including Stamps) | 521 06 |
| Bills of National Banks | 82 00 |
| Fractional Currency, including Nickels | 322 33 |
| Legal Tender Notes | 12,721 00 |
| 3-per cent. Certificates | 10,000 00 |
| | $268,140 18 |

LIABILITIES:

| | |
|---|---|
| Capital Stock paid in | $ 80,000 00 |
| Surplus Fund | 10,405 92 |
| Discount | 5,716 16 |
| Profit and Loss | 357 48 |
| Nat. Bank Circulation outstanding | 70,094 00 |
| State Bank Circulation outstanding | 821 00 |
| Individual Deposits | 94,436 54 |
| Due to National Banks | 5,245 59 |
| Due to other Banks and Bankers | 166 49 |
| | $268,143 18 |

*State of Delaware, County of New Castle, ss:*

I, John R. Hall, Cashier of The Citizens' National Bank, of Middletown, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. R. HALL, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this Twenty-first day of December, 1871.

J. B. CLAKSON, N. P.

Correct—Attest: J. V. CRAWFORD, JAMES M. COX, HENRY CLAYTON } Directors

Dec. 23—1w.

## REPORT

*Of the Condition of the New Castle County National Bank of Odessa, at the close of business on the 16th day of December, 1871.*

RESOURCES.

| | |
|---|---|
| Loans and Discounts | $122,818 92 |
| U. S. Bonds to secure Circulation | 75,000 00 |
| Other Stocks, Bonds and Mortgages | 814 02 |
| Due from Redeeming & Reserve Agents | 11,913 66 |
| Due from other National Banks | 494 98 |
| Banking House Furniture and Fixtures | 8,746 57 |
| Current Expenses | 299 64 |
| Cash Items, (including Stamps) | 500 00 |
|

The Ohio river, at Cincinnati, and the Hudson, at Poughkeepsie, are blocked by ice.

### TRIBUTE OF RESPECT.

At a stated meeting of Damon Lodge, No. 12. K. of P. held this evening, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

*Whereas*, It has pleased Our Heavenly Father in the dispensation of his providence to impress upon our minds that it is appointed unto man once to die, the stern voice of death, that dread visitor, has entered our circle and called one of our number very suddenly away; and

*Whereas*, Our Heavenly Father, in his infinite wisdom, has seen fit to remove from our midst our Bro. Knight, Perry Prettyman, therefore be it

*Resolved*, That as fellow members with our deceased Bro. we painfully realize the severe loss we feel in the death of him so suddenly removed from our midst.

*Resolved*, That we humbly bow in submission to this decree of an all-wise God, and in remembrance of the past we pledge ourselves anew to the more earnest and faithful in discharging the duties we owe to our fellow man as brothers of this noble Order, and that when on earth our days are numbered, we may meet around the circle of that great union above, and hear the Grand Chief say, "Enter in and be at rest."

*Resolved*, That we deeply sympathize with the family and friends of our deceased Brother, and commend them to "Him who doeth all things well," and to Him must they in their sorrow and affliction look for consolation, with the cherished hope that after the care and toil of this life is o-ver, they may meet around the throne where parting will be no more forever.

*Resolved*, That as a token of respect in honor of our brother, it is ordered that our charter be draped in mourning for the space of thirty days.

*Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions, duly attested, be sent to the family of the deceased, and be published in the *Middletown Transcript*.

R. HARRY ELIASON,
THOMAS H. GILPIN,
M. N. WILLITTS,
} Committee.

*Middletown, Del. Dec. 15th, 1871.*

### THE MARKETS.

MIDDLETOWN MARKET.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY A. T. BRADLEY.

| | |
|---|---|
| Wheat | $1 50@1 55 |
| Corn, (new) yellow | 58 |
| Oats | 45 |
| Timothy Seed | 4 25 |
| Clover " | 8 00 |
| Eggs | 30 cts. ₰ doz. |
| Butter | 30@35 cts. ₰ lb. |
| Lard | 8@9 " " |
| Pork | 6@7 " " |
| Potatoes | 50@60 ₰ bushel. |
| Turkeys | 12@14 ₰ lb. |
| Ducks | 13@14 ₰ lb. |
| Chickens | 11@12 ₰ lb. |
| Geese | 9@12 ₰ lb. |

WILMINGTON.

| | |
|---|---|
| Wheat, prime | $1 30 |
| Corn | 75 |
| Oats | 46 |
| Flour | 6 50@6 10 00 |

PHILADELPHIA.

| | |
|---|---|
| Prime red wheat | $1 65@1 70 |
| Corn, yellow | 64@66 |
| Oats (Pennsylvania) | 54 |
| Cloverseed | $8 00 |
| Timothy | 9 00 |

### BUSINESS LOCALS.

Be of good cheer there is life and health for you yet. No those that have taken Simmons' Liver Regulator attest.

Hanson Bros. have received their Fall stock, which has been selected with great care. Prices to suit everyone—call and see them at the Town Hall.

This is no intoxicating beverage or doctored liquor, to lead the tippler on to drunkenness and ruin, but a strictly medical preparation made from roots and herbs, suitable to any age or complexion. As a family remedy, Simmons' Liver Regulator is equal to an entire medicine chest.

The Old Bank will keep good, pure MILK, on and after Monday, October 23, at 8 cents per quart.

10,000 bushels of CORN wanted, for which the highest market price will be paid, on account of E. Jefferson & Son. J. B. FOARD.

JAMES N. WINE, formerly of Middletown Delaware, is now engaged with Wanamaker & Brown, The Clothiers, at S. E. Corner of Sixth and Market Sts. Philadelphia. Mr. Wine invites his friends and the people of this section of the State, to call on him, assuring those who favor him that he will spare no pains to accommodate them in every respect. [t Jan 1]

Success is the best test of superiority: the wonderful demand for Simmons' Liver Regulator is one of the convincing proofs that this article is appreciated above everything else of the kind. However much its jealous defamers may throw their shafts, truth will prevail and so will this medicine.


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IN ENDLESS VARIETY.

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Dec. 16—1m

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**RICE'S OLD BANK,**

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**KRISS KRINGLE'S**

**HEADQUARTERS,**

Is the place to get all kinds of

**TOYS,**

**HOLIDAY PRESENTS,**

**FRESH CANDIES,**

**CAKES, &C.**

A large assortment of which

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Dec. 9—3w

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PAID for all kinds of Poultry, Dried Fruit, and Furs, by DeWITT C. WALKER.

Middletown, Del. Dec. 9th, 1871—3m

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***Dry Goods, Carpets and Oil Cloths.***

Dec 16, 1871—1y.

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WATER-PROOF CLOAKINGS, HEAVY CANTON FLANNELS,

HEAVY-WOOF FLANNELS,

**MALLILIEU'S KERSEY,**

*MEN'S HEAVY WINTER BOOTS,*

&c. &c. &c.

SCOWDRICK & COCHRAN,

October 14, 1871—1y MIDDLETOWN, DEL.

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N. W. CORNER EIGHTH AND MARKET STREETS,

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Are now offering for the FALL and WINTER TRADE an unusually large stock of

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CONSISTING IN PART OF

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His bar will be supplied with the choicest liquors, cigars, &c. and his table with the best the market can afford.

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Dec 16—3m

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AND

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Oct 28—tf

## NOTICE!

THE annual meeting of the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company of St. Georges and Appoquinimink Hundreds, New Castle county, Delaware, will be held at the Hotel of Wm. T. Chance, in Odessa, on Monday, the first day of January, A. D. 1872, at 1 o'clock, P. M. at which time seven (7) Directors will be elected to serve for the ensuing year, and the INTEREST on the deposit notes at the rate of six (6) per cent. per annum will be required to be paid.

The CERTIFICATES due January 1st, 1872, on certificates of indebtedness, must be presented to the Treasurer, in order to have the amount allowed on annual payment of premium.

JOHN C. CORBIT, President.

CHAS. TATMAN, Secretary.

Odessa, Del. Nov. 27, 1871—tm

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Dec. 2—1m

## NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS.

ALL persons who have not paid their town tax and school tax, in District No. 94, for the present year, are requested to call on the undersigned and settle the same on or before the 20th day of December, instant, or they will be compelled to pay costs.

DeWITT C. WALKER, Treas.

Middletown, Del. Dec. 9th, 1871—1m

## ELECTION NOTICE.

NEW CASTLE CO. NATIONAL BANK OF ODESSA, December 4th, 1871.

THE stockholders' annual Election for nine Directors of this Bank, will be held in the Banking House on Wednesday, January 3d, 1872, between the hours of 1 and 3 o'clock, P. M.

Dec 9—3t J. L. GIBSON, Cashier.

## FOR SALE.

A Wharf and Granary in Odessa. The wharf has a frontage of 319 feet, and the granary is 57 feet by 22½ feet with a garner capacity of about 10,000 bushels, with ample storage room on the lower floor.

The property is in good order (the wharf having been recently repaired) and it will be sold at a moderate price on reasonable terms.

CHARLES BEASTEN,

Nov 25, 1871—5t Odessa, Del.

## NOTICE TO POULTERERS.

WE, the undersigned, will pay the highest cash prices at

*RICE'S OLD BANK,*

for Poultry of all kinds delivered in good order, every day, excepting Fridays and Saturdays.

E. B. RICE.
Nov. 25, 1871—tf R. E. COCHRAN.

## FOR SALE.

ONE pair of first-class MULES, six years old, fine size, gentle, and will work anywhere. Also, one Odd Mule, will be sold very cheap.

SAMUEL FENIMORE,

Nov 25, 1871—1m* Odessa Del.

## FOR SALE.

SEVERAL Durham Thorough-bred and Grade Bulls and Heifers, (yearlings and two-year olds). Address,

GEO. Z. TYBOUT,

Nov 18—4w* Red Lion P. O., Delaware.

**MISS AGNES J. PENNINGTON,**

TEACHER OF PIANO AND ORGAN,

**MAIN ST., MIDDLETOWN, DEL.**

Nov 18, 1871—tf

## FOWLS.

A FEW Pure Blood Buff Cochin and Light Brama Cocks for sale. Bred from the best imported stock and offered at the low price of $5 each. SAMUEL TOWNSEND.

Townsend, Nov. 25, 1871—tf

## SCRIBNER'S MONTHLY

AN ILLUSTRATED MAGAZINE,

*EDITED BY J. G. HOLLAND,*

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THIS magazine, which has risen so rapidly in popular favor, has now been Greatly Enlarged, and will be still further improved during the coming year. Arrangements have been perfected to secure the best illustrations, and the most eminent contributors on both sides of the Atlantic. Scribner for 1872 will be unsurpassed in literary as well as artistic excellence by any periodical of its class in the world.

The January number will be especially attractive, and will be worthy of preservation as an example of the excellence of American art. A series of papers by Mr. Gladstone, Prime Minister of England, will shortly appear; also an able discussion of the National Banking System of this country; a new story by Mrs. Oliphant is promised, &c., &c.; whilst every number will be rich in shorter stories, illustrated articles of popular science, poems, essays, editorials and Reviews, &c., &c. The subscription price is $4.00 per year, payable in advance.

To enable all parties to commence with the series, which we are sure will be worthy of careful preservation, we will send to any dealer or new subscriber, the 12 numbers of Volumes I. and II. for $1.60, or the 14 numbers prior to January, 1872, for $1.50. The whole will contain

*More than* 3,000 *Pages,*

more than 500 brilliantly written articles, and nearly 100 completed stories, tales of adventure, wit and humor, Poems, &c., &c., combining with these the ablest editorials and the most beautiful illustrations, some of them said by the critics to be fully equal to the work of Gustave Dore.

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Remit in Checks or P. O. money orders. For sale by all dealers.

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Dec 9—1m 654 Broadway, N. Y.

## PEACH FARMS.

WE now offer at reasonable prices a large variety of Peach Farms in Cecil, Kent, Queen Anne's, Talbot and Dorchester counties, Maryland, and in New Castle, Kent, and Sussex counties, Delaware, in all parts of the great peach district of this peninsula. These farms are all accessible by railroads, and many of them upon navigation, and generally well improved. To parties desiring to locate upon the peninsula and to engage in the cultivation of small or large fruits, vines, flowers, and the cereals we will guarantee to suit them both in locality, size of farm, price and improvements.

Send for circulars. No charge for showing land will be made *bona fide* purchasers.

Correspondence solicited.

GEO. W. INGRAM & CO.

July 22, 1871—tf Middletown, Del.

## BEHOLD!

Cool Spring Charley

IS not dead, but liveth; thanks to a kind providence and good friends! He now presides at the glass-house in Middletown, Del. called "Oyster Bay," and intends to make it *the* institution of the town for

*FRESH FISH AND OYSTERS.*

My friends and patrons all know where "Oyster Bay" is, and if they will call to see me I will show them how grateful I am for past favors by furnishing them with choice Oysters, fresh Trout, Rock, White Perch, Crocuses, &c., at a remarkably low price, and fresh every day.

OYSTERS IN EVERY STYLE.

"Oyster Bay" is the place to get your money back! Come and see!

sept 23—3m CHARLES ADAMS.

## ARCH STREET HOUSE,

No. 1, Arch St.

**Philadelphia,**

**C. W. LOCKE,**

Proprietor.

march 4—tf

**THOMAS DUPUY,**

37 SOUTH SECOND STREET,

Above Chestnut, East Side, Philadelphia,

Would call the attention of those wishing to purchase Carpetings, to his large and choice line of Foreign and Domestic, both in relation to qualities as well as styles. Also Oil Cloths, Mattings, Rugs, Mats, Stair Rods, &c. &c. at the lowest cash prices.

N.B.—J. STEWART DUPUY is *not* at 253 S. 2nd St. but *is* with Thomas Dupuy.

sept 9, 1871—3mf—s.

CARPETS AND OIL CLOTHS.

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## WALL PAPERS.

*HOWELL & BOURKE,*

MANUFACTURERS OF

**Paper Hangings and Window Shades,**

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL SALESROOMS,

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Oct. 21, 1871—3m

## MIDDLETOWN IRON FOUNDRY

AND

## MACHINE SHOP.

PLOWS and Plow Castings, Machine Castings of all kinds on hand or made to order.

Particular attention given to Repairing Machinery. Cash for old iron.

WM. L. BUCKE & SON,

Jan 4-tf Founders and Machinists.

## NOTICE.

HIGHEST cash prices paid for Turkeys, Geese Ducks and Chickens, by

JAMES T. SHALLCROSS,

Dec. 1st, 1871—tf Middletown, Del.

## NOTICE.

ALL persons indebted to the firm of *SHALLCROSS & WILLIAMS* for Bricks, will please come forward and pay their bills on or before 1st of December. After that date, I shall proceed to collect the same according to law.

JAMES T. SHALLCROSS,

Oct 28—tf Collector for the Firm.

**DAVID T. STUART,**

*ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,*

DOVER, DEL.

OFFICE North end of Court House.

☞ Special attention given to the collection fo claims.

June 10—1y

## NOTICE!!

THE FIRM OF

**SCOWDRICK & COCHRAN**

NOT BEING ASSOCIATED WITH THE

*PROMINENT* MERCHANTS

OF

**MIDDLETOWN,**

**Will Be OPEN for the Accommodation of Customers UNTIL**

**9 O'CLOCK P. M.**

AND LATER!!

***IF NECESSARY.***

THANKFUL FOR PAST FAVORS, AND NOT BEING *INDEPENDENT* WE STILL SOLICIT A CALL AT *YOUR* CONVENIENCE.

*Very Respectfully,*

**Scowdrick & Cochran.**

*Middletown, Delaware.*

Oct. 28, 1871—3m

Call at J. F. ELIASON'S, Lockwood's Corner, and examine his new stock of Fall and Winter Goods, and everything usually kept in a first-class country store. We are determined to sell goods low for Cash.

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Don't Delay!
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TRANSCRIPT,

Nov 25—tf Middletown, Del.

## POULTRY,

**For which fancy prices can be had.**

**Turkeys for Thanksgiving.**

**Geese and Turkeys for Christmas with Ducks and Chickens added.**

Ship on or before Monday, November 27th, for Thanksgiving.

Ship on or before December 21st, for Christmas.

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Commission Merchants,

77 Robinson St.

New York.

Nov. 18—7w.

**Wonders Will Never Cease.**

JAMES H. COLLINS

HAS removed to the house formerly occupied by Wm. Cochran, on MAIN ST. and has on hand a superior stock of

**Ladies' and Children's Shoes,**

which he will sell at the lowest cash prices. Gentlemen's fine calf skin Boots made to order, and repairing of all kinds promptly attended to. A patent metal heel will be supplied to all who wish to give it a trial. For the best boots and shoes of all kinds call on JAMES H. COLLINS,

Apr 29—1y Middletown, Del.

## NOTICE

Is given to parties who have purchased meat from Thomas Phillips, and had the same charged on the book, that they will pay no one for it but myself, individually, as the whole concern belonged to me. Any person doing contrary to the above, payment will hereafter be demanded by J. F. SHALLCROSS.

Nov. 18—2w.

## FOR SALE.

200,000 *GIANT ASPARAGUS PLANTS,*

AND

50,000 *OSAGE QUICKS*

For Sale, at $2 per thousand each, by JAMES T. SHALLCROSS,

Nov 11—tf Odessa, Del.

## FALL 1871

W. M. KENNARD & CO.

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**MARKET STREET,**

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HAVE NOW

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A FULL LINE

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FINE AND MEDIUM

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**CARPETS,**

***OIL CLOTHS, &c.***

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BUT THAT THE LOWEST.

Sept. 16—tf.

Principal Office 101 W. Fifth St., Cincinnati, O.
The only Reliable Gift Distribution in the country.

L. D. SINE'S EIGHTEENTH
Grand ANNUAL DISTRIBUTION!
To be drawn Monday, January 1st, 1872.

$200,000 00
IN VALUABLE GIFTS.
TWO GRAND CAPITAL PRIZES,
$10,000 *IN AMERICAN GOLD!*
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FIVE PRIZES OF $1,000; TEN PRIZES OF $500 each in GREENBACKS!

One Span of Matched Horses, with Family Carriage and Silver-Mounted Harness, worth $1,500!
Five Horses & Buggies, with Silver-Mounted Harness, worth $500 each!
Five Fine-Toned Rosewood Pianos, worth $500 each! 25 Family Sewing Machines, worth $100 each! 23,000 Gold and Silver Lever Hunting Watches (in all) worth from $20 to $300 each!
Ladies' Gold Leontine and Gents' Gold Vest Chains, solid and double-plated silver table and teaspoons, photograph albums, jewelry, &c., &c.
Number of Gifts 24,000! Tickets limited to 100,000.

AGENTS WANTED TO SELL TICKETS, to whom liberal premiums will be paid.
Single Tickets $2; Six Tickets $10; Twelve Tickets $20; Twenty-Five $40.

Circulars containing a full list of prizes, a description of the manner of drawing, and other information in reference to the Distribution, will be sent to any one ordering them. All letters must be addressed to
OFFICE, L. D. SINE, Box 86,
101 W. Fifth St., Cincinnati, O.
Dec. 2—tdec 25

PROSPECTUS FOR 1872.

THE LADY'S FRIEND!!

The publishers of THE LADY'S FRIEND have concluded to reduce its price to single subscribers from $2.50 to $2—the prices to Clubs (already very low) remaining the same.

The following novelets, with the usual variety of short stories, are announced for 1872. Mrs Wood's novelet will run through the whole year.

WITHIN THE HAZE; or, LADY ANDIANA'S TRIAL.
By Mrs. Henry Wood, author of "East Lynne," &c.

UNA AND HER LIONS.
By Miss A. L. Muzzey, author of "One Woman's Experience," "Jealousy," etc., etc.

QUEEN COQUETTA.
By Daisy Ventner, author of "Prince Charming," etc.

ONLY A WISH.
By A. M. Dana, author of "Jarring Chords," etc.

MISSION WORK.
By Mrs. Margaret Fosmer, author of "A Turn in Fortune's Wheel," etc., etc.

AN EVERY-DAY HEROINE.
By Amanda M. Douglas, author of "Solid Silver," "A Little Money," etc.

ENGRAVINGS.—The engravings of The Lady's Friend are of a very superior character. They embrace beautiful pictures of subjects which touch the sentiments and affections, illustrations of our novelets and stories, illustrations of the fashions, (including cuts from which patterns for almost everything can be ordered at a low price,) illustrations of Ladies' Fancy Work, etc.

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DEACON & PETERSON,
No 319 Walnut Street, Philadelphia.
*Single copies 20 Cents.*
Dec. 2—tf

REGISTER'S ORDER.

REGISTER'S OFFICE,
NEW CASTLE COUNTY, Nov. 22d, 1871.

Upon the application of ELIZABETH L. RYAN, Executrix of LEVI RYAN, late of St. Georges Hundred, in said County, deceased: it is ordered and directed by the Register that the Executor aforesaid, give notice of the granting of Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such Letters, in six of the most public places of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the Estate, to present the same, or abide an Act of Assembly in such case made and provided. And also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in the *Middletown Transcript*, a newspaper published in Middletown and to be continued therein two months.

Given under the hand and Seal of Office of the Register aforesaid, at New Castle, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written. B. GIBBS, Register.

NOTICE.—All persons having claims against the Estate of the deceased must present the same duly attested to the Executrix on or before Nov. 22d, 1872, or abide an Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.
ELIZABETH L. RYAN, Executrix.
Address—Middletown, Del.
Nov 25, 1871—2m

FARMS FOR SALE.

THE undersigned will dispose of, at Private Sale, one of the most valuable Farms in the [illegible] part of first election district in Kent county and near Chesterville, containing 270 acres, divided into five fields, under good fencing. The soil is fine and productive. The land has been limed. The building are ample and good. It adjoins the lands of Samuel Penington, J. G Nunn, and Dr. Nowland.

ALSO, a saleable Farm on Chester River, in Kent county, containing 220 Acres, adjoining the lands of Dr. Massey and Jesse Woodall's heirs, about one mile and a half above Crumpton and two from Chesterville. 2000 Choice Peach Trees in full bearing; divided into five fields, exclusive of orchards; Buildings ordinary, except barn, which is new; Good soil; land has been limed; suitable fuel for farm. M. Lindsey on the farm will show it to any who may call. For Terms apply to GEORGE VICKERS, Agent and Attorney for Wm. T. Spry. Centreville, Md., Oct 7, 1871—6t
*Post will copy 3 times.*

COAL! COAL!! COAL!!!

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1115 CHESTNUT ST. (Girard Row,)
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133 N. EIGHTH ST. (N. E. Cor. 8th and Cherry.)
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CORSETS in 127 styles and grades to meet the wants of all, from 40c. to $6.85 per pair, including Thompson's Glove Fitting, Rob't Werly's J. Beaket's, Mad. Foy's, Mrs. Moody's Misses and Children's Corsets &c. together with every other desirable make, at prices beyon competition.

PANIER BUSTLES in 53 varieties, from 30c. to $8.00, including Hair Cloth, 75c. Bon Ton, 47c; Nilsson, 53c. New Broadway, 68c. Elect, 88c. and every other desirable Bustle at lower prices than at any other parties in the trade.

LADIES' UNDER GARMENTS in every quality, from the finest to the lowest prices. Tucked and Fancy Muslin Skirts, in 22 varieties, from 70c. to $7 60. Chemises from 62c. to $4.75. Drawers, 60c. to $2 50. Night Dresses, $1.00 to $9.65. Toilet Sacks, 81c. to $6.43. Corsets Covers, $1.60 to $5.50. Aprons, Misses and Children's Under Garments, &c. &c.

We have the largest, best and cheapest lines of the above goods in Philadelphia. Every purchaser can save time and money by examining them. Wholesale and Retails.

Oct. 14, 1871.—3 mos.

WILTBERGER'S
Flavoring Extracts

are warranted equal to any made. They are prepared from the *fruits*, and will be found *much better* than many of the *Extracts* that are sold. *Ask your Grocer or Druggist for Wiltberger's Extracts.*

BARLOW'S INDIGO BLUE

Is, without doubt, the best article in the market for bluing clothes. It will color more water than four times the same weight of indigo, and much more than any other wash blue in the market. The only genuine is that put up at Arch St. Square, by Francis Spong, No. 233 North Second St. Philadelphia, Pa. The labels have both Wiltberger's and Barlow's name on them. *All others are counterfeit.* For sale by most grocers and druggists.

WILTBERGER'S INDELIBLE INK will be found on trial to be a superior article. Always on hand, and for sale at reasonable prices, Pure Ground Spices, Genuine Medicines, Chamois Skins Sponges, Tapioca, Pearl, Sago, and all articles in the drug line, at
*ALFRED WILTBERGER'S DRUG STORE, No. 233 North Second St. Philadelphia, Pa.*
July 8, 1871—1y

MONEY CANNOT BUY IT!
FOR SIGHT IS PRICELESS!
But the DIAMOND SPECTACLES will preserve it.

IF YOU VALUE YOUR EYESIGHT
USE THESE
*PERFECT LENSES.*

Ground from Minute Crystal Pebbles, Melted together, and derive their name "Diamond" on account of their HARDNESS AND BRILLIANCY. They will last many years without change, and are warranted superior to all others. Manufactured by J. E. SPENCER & Co. N. Y. CAUTION.—None genuine unless stamped with our trade mark.

Thos. Massey, Jr. Jeweler, is sole agent for Middletown, Del. from whom they can only be obtained. No Pedlars employed. [june 10-y]

THE OLD BANK

WILL be open daily, and will exchange for cash the
FINEST OYSTERS
that can be had in any market, by the quart, gallon or bushel, for family use.
*STEWS AND FRIES*
gotten up to order; also, the finest water crackers and cracker dust for frying oysters.
*CAKES*
of all kinds on hand and made to order. Finest lot of
*CONFECTIONERY*
ALWAYS ON HAND.
FRUITS, both foreign and domestic, we shall endeavor never to be out of, also everything else usually kept in a confectionery store.
Remember the sign of "THE OLD BANK."
E. B. RICE,
Sept. 30—ly Middletown, Del.

REGISTER'S ORDER.

REGISTER'S OFFICE,
NEW CASTLE COUNTY, Dec. 14, 1871.

Upon the application of WM. M. PRETTYMAN, Administrator of PERRY PRETTYMAN, late of Appoquinimink Hundred in said County, deceased: it is ordered and directed by the Register that the Administrator aforesaid, give notice of the granting of Letters testamentary upon the Estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such Letters, in six of the most public places of the County of New Castle requiring all persons having demands against the Estate, to present the same, or abide by an Act of Assembly in such cases made and provided. And also to cause the same to be inserted within the same period in the *Middletown Transcript*, a newspaper published in Middletown and to be continued therein two months.

Given under the hand and Seal of Office of the Register aforesaid, at New Castle, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written. B. GIBBS, Register.

NOTICE.—All persons having claims against the Estate of the deceased must present the same duly attested to the Administrator on or before Dec. 14, 1872, or abide an Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.
WM. M. PRETTYMAN, Administrator.
Dec. 16—2m ADDRESS—Odessa, Del.

M. E. DICKSON,
No. 35½ SOUTH EIGHTH STREET,
PHILADELPHIA,
DEALER IN
WATCHES AND JEWELRY,
SOLID STERLING
Silver and Plated Ware,
Suitable for Holiday Presents.
N. B.—Fine selection of 18 Kt. Wedding Rings on Hand.
Gold, Silver and Steel Spectacles to suit all ages.
Dec. 16—tf

$25 REWARD.

THE undersigned will pay the above reward to know what person or persons threw the [illegible] from the walls on St. Ann's causeway.
E. P. SMALLCROSS,
W. N. WILSON,
County Commissioners,
Middletown, Del. Dec. 16, 1871—3w

VINEGAR BITTERS

J. WALKER, Proprietor. R. H. McDONALD & Co., Druggists and Gen. Ag'ts, San Francisco, Cal., and 21 & 24 Commerce St., N. Y.

MILLIONS Bear Testimony to their Wonderful Curative Effects.

They are not a vile Fancy Drink, Made of Poor Rum, Whiskey, Proof Spirits and Refuse Liquors, doctored, spiced and sweetened to please the taste, called "Tonics," "Appetizers," "Restorers," &c., that lead the tippler on to drunkenness and ruin, but are a true Medicine, made from the native roots and herbs of California, free from all Alcoholic Stimulants. They are the GREAT BLOOD PURIFIER and A LIFE GIVING PRINCIPLE, a perfect Renovator and Invigorator of the System, carrying off all poisonous matter and restoring the blood to a healthy condition. No person can take these Bitters according to directions, and remain long unwell, provided their bones are not destroyed by mineral poison or other means, and the vital organs wasted beyond the point of repair.

They are a Gentle Purgative as well as a Tonic, possessing also, the peculiar merit of acting as a powerful agent in relieving Congestion or Inflammation of the Liver, and all the Visceral Organs.

FOR FEMALE COMPLAINTS, whether in young or old, married or single, at the dawn of womanhood or at the turn of life, these Tonic Bitters have no equal.

For Inflammatory and Chronic Rheumatism and Gout, Dyspepsia or Indigestion, Bilious, Remittent and Intermittent Fevers, Diseases of the Blood, Liver, Kidneys and Bladder, these Bitters have been most successful. Such Diseases are caused by Vitiated Blood, which is generally produced by derangement of the Digestive Organs.

DYSPEPSIA OR INDIGESTION, Headache, Pain in the Shoulders, Coughs, Tightness of the Chest, Dizziness, Sour Eructations of the Stomach, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Bilious Attacks, Palpitation of the Heart, Inflammation of the Lungs, Pain in the regions of the Kidneys, and a hundred other painful symptoms are the offsprings of Dyspepsia.

They invigorate the Stomach and stimulate the torpid Liver and Bowels, which render them of unequaled efficacy in cleansing the blood of all impurities, and imparting new life and vigor to the whole system.

FOR SKIN DISEASES, Eruptions, Tetter, Salt Rheum, Blotches, Spots, Pimples, Pustules, Boils, Carbuncles, Ring-Worms, Scald Head, Sore Eyes, Erysipelas, Itch, Scurfs, Discolorations of the Skin, Humors and Diseases of the Skin, of whatever name or nature are literally dug up and carried out of the system in a short time by the use of these Bitters. One bottle in such cases will convince the most incredulous of their curative effects.

Cleanse the Vitiated Blood whenever you find its impurities bursting through the skin in Pimples, Eruptions or Sores; cleanse it when you find it obstructed and sluggish in the veins; cleanse it when it is foul, and your feelings will tell you when. Keep the blood pure, and the health of the system will follow.

Pin, Tape and other Worms, lurking in the system of so many thousands are effectually destroyed and removed. Says a distinguished physician, there is scarcely an individual upon the face of the earth whose body is exempt from the presence of worms. It is not upon the healthy elements of the body that worms exist, but upon the diseased humors and slimy deposits that breed these living monsters of disease. No system of Medicine, no vermifuge, no anthelmintic, will free the system from worms like these Bitters.

Sold by all Druggists and Dealers.
J. WALKER, Proprietor. R. H. McDONALD & CO., Druggists and General Agents, San Francisco, California, and 32 and 34 Commerce Street, New York.

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Until the first of November next, the beautiful and artistic Chromo,

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ON and after Monday, July 17th, 1871, (Sundays excepted,) Passenger Trains will leave as follows:

| NORTH. | | | | SOUTH. | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | A. M. | P. M. | | A. M. | P. M. |
| Delmar | | 1 00 | Philadelphia | 8 30 | 3 00 |
| Laurel | | 11 15 | Baltimore | 7 28 | 2 05 |
| *Seaford* | | 11 35 | Wilmington | 10 10 | 4 40 |
| Bridgeville | | 11 50 | New Castle | 10 20 | 4 50 |
| | | P. M. | State Road | 10 25 | 4 55 |
| Greenwood | | 12 05 | Bear, | 10 45 | 5 05 |
| Farmington | A. M. | 12 15 | Rodney | 10 55 | 5 15 |
| Milford | 7 00 | | Kirkwood | 11 00 | 7 10 |
| Harrington | 7 30 | 12 30 | Mt. Pleasant | 11 10 | 7 20 |
| Felton | 7 50 | 12 50 | Middletown | 11 28 | 7 38 |
| Canterbury | 7 35 | 12 55 | Townsend | 11 25 | 7 35 |
| Woodside | 7 40 | 1 05 | Blackbird | 11 40 | 7 45 |
| Wyoming | 7 50 | 1 15 | Sassafras | 11 45 | 8 00 |
| *Dover* | 8 00 | 1 25 | Clayton | 11 58 | 8 10 |
| Moorton | 8 10 | 1 40 | ARRIVE | | |
| Brenford | 8 15 | 1 45 | Smyrna | P. M. 12 15 | P. M. 7 30 |
| Smyrna | 8 05 | 1 40 | | M. | |
| Clayton | 8 25 | 1 55 | Brenford | 12 05 | 6 15 |
| Sassafras Road | 8 30 | 2 00 | | P. M. | |
| Blackbird | 8 40 | 2 15 | Moorton | 12 05 | 6 55 |
| Townsend | 8 45 | 2 20 | Dover | 12 20 | 8 35 |
| *Middletown* | 9 05 | 2 35 | Wyoming | 12 30 | 8 45 |
| Mt. Pleasant | 9 15 | 2 45 | Woodside | 12 40 | 8 55 |
| Kirkwood | 9 25 | 2 00 | Canterbury | 12 45 | 9 00 |
| Rodney | 9 30 | 3 05 | Felton | 12 50 | 9 05 |
| Bear | 9 40 | 3 15 | Harrington | 1 07 | 9 22 |
| State Road | 9 45 | 3 20 | Milford | | 9 44 |
| N. Castle | 9 55 | 3 30 | Farmington | 1 18 | |
| ARRIVE. | | | Greenwood | 1 30 | |
| *Wilmington* | 10 15 | 3 55 | Bridgeville | 1 36 | |
| *Philada.* | 11 45 | 5 25 | Seaford | 1 58 | |
| | P. M. | | Laurel | 2 12 | |
| *Baltimore* | 1 05 | 8 10 | Delmar | 2 25 | |

NEW CASTLE TRAINS.—Leave New Castle for Wilmington and Philadelphia at 7 40 A. M. Leave Philadelphia at 11 45 M. and Wilmington 1 00 P. M. for New Castle.

SMYRNA BRANCH TRAINS.—Additional to those above will leave Clayton for Smyrna 8 40 A. M. and 2 05 P. M. Leave Smyrna for Clayton 11 35 A. M. and 7 35 P. M. to make connections with trains to and from Dover, and Stations south.

FREIGHT TRAIN, with Passenger Car attached, leave Wilmington 12 55 A. M., New Castle, 1 20; Middletown, 2 30; Townsend, 2 45; Clayton, 3 20; Dover, 4 05; Wyoming, 4 15; Felton, 5 00; Harrington, 5 25; Farmington, 5 40; Bridgeville, 6 15, Seaford, 6 50; Laurel 7 10; and arrive at Delmar at 7 35, A. M. Passengers leaving Philadelphia at 11 30 P. M. will make close connection with this train at Wilmington. Returning—Will leave Delmar, 3 30 P. M.; Laurel, 3 55; Seaford, 4 20; Bridgeville, 4 50; Farmington, 5 25; Harrington, 5 45; Felton, 6 11; Wyoming, 6 45; Dover, 7 05; Clayton, 7 45; Townsend, 8 20; Middletown, 8 40; Kirkwood, 9 05; New Castle, 9 35, and arrive at Wilmington, 10 00 P. M.; Philadelphia, 11 30 P. M. and Baltimore, 3 50 A. M. Subject to delays incident to freight business.

This train will stop to take up passengers only at stations named, but will set down passengers at any stopping place, Except Hare's Corner, State Road, Rodney and Dupont.

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May 20—1y H. F. KENNEY, Superintendent.

Kent County Rail Road.

THE Kent County R. R. being completed to Kennedyville, trains will run daily, (Sundays excepted,) for freight and passengers, between Kennedyville and Townsend, where close connection will be made with trains of the Delaware R. R. commencing on

*MONDAY, OCTOBER 24th, 1870,*

And will run as follows until further notice:

| GOING EAST. | | | GOING WEST. | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| LEAVE | A. M. | P.M. | LEAVE | A.M. | P.M. |
| Kennedyville | 7 20 | | Townsend | 11 40 | 8 00 |
| Black's | 7 35 | | Vandyke's | 11 55 | 8 15 |
| Lansdown's | 7 50 | | | P.M. | |
| Massey's | 8 05 | 1 25 | Morris' | 12 50 | 8 25 |
| Morris' | 8 15 | 1 40 | Massey's | 12 20 | 8 35 |
| Vandyke's | 8 22 | 1 55 | Lansdown's | 12 30 | |
| ARRIVE | | | Black's | 12 40 | |
| Townsend | 8 35 | 2 10 | ARRIVE | | |
| | | | Kennedyville | 12 50 | |

Passengers from Kennedyville, and all stations on the Kent County Rail Road, will reach Wilmington at 10.15, A. M. Philadelphia at 11.45, A. M. and Baltimore at 1.05, P. M.

Passengers for the Kent County Railroad, will leave Baltimore (President Street Depot) at 7.25, A. M. Philadelphia (Depot corner Broad st. and Washington Avenue) at 8.30, A. M. and Wilmington at 10.10, A. M.

A Stage will run between Chestertown and Kennedyville, making close connections with trains East and West. It will leave Chestertown at 5.30, A. M. and returning, leave Kennedyville on arrival of train, and reach Chestertown about 2.30, P. M.
J. B. WINGATE,
apr 30—tf Chief Eng'r and Sup't.

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